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Weisheit quipped.

The three counties in state police District 6, McLean, Livingston and DeWitt, attracted 10 cultivation center applications from a total of 159 across the state.

The same three counties have four applicants competing for one dispensary permit.

In September, the McLean County Board rejected a special-use permit from Tim Jones for a cultivation center near Downs, saying the proposed land use was more industrial than agriculture-related.

Carlo Robustelli, one of the 15 county board members who opposed the use permit, said he does not believe the vote was driven by negative feelings about medical marijuana.

"I would conjecture that the majority of board members support the use of marijuana for medical purposes," Robustelli said.

Jones has since filed an application for a cultivation center on property within the village of Downs.

And there are issues

Jaycees haunted house closes

H&R staff report

LINCOLN — The Lincoln Jaycees Haunted House will be closed for the remainder of the season, said officials from the organization.

The house initially passed inspection to open, but the Illinois State Fire Marshal's Office has decided the site at 325 S. Chicago St. is not safe without a sprinkler system in place. Perry Payne, management vice president for the group, said.

A similar situation closed the Terror on Washington Street Haunted House in Clinton last year.

The Lincoln Jaycees Haunted House is a tradition going back several decades. Money raised by the haunted house goes to support other Lincoln Jaycees community projects, such as Angel Tree and an Easter egg hunt.

for drivers.

The potential legal problem that drivers face if they operate a vehicle after using marijuana are straight-forward, said McLean County Assistant State's Attorney Jeff Horve.

"An individual is not permitted to drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of a drug, whether prescribed or illegal," said the felony drug prosecutor.

Drivers who are impaired because of prescription medications are subject to arrest and prosecution. The same holds true for medical marijuana, Horve said.

"In addition, Illinois law currently has a statutory provision that does not allow a person to operate a motor vehicle with any cannabis in their system," the prosecutor noted.

The prosecutor said he has concerns about the potential for impaired drivers, illegal sales of the drug by people who obtain it legally and substance abuse.

Defense lawyers have predictably different worries.

"Although we welcome cannabis as a means to help those who are suffering, we fear that the police or state's attorney will use the DUI laws as a weapon against the sickest among us," Bloomington lawyer Mark D. Johnson said.

Defense lawyer Brendan Bukalski said the conflict between federal drug laws that consider marijuana use illegal and state rules that allow it create problems for people.

"We've even had clients that possessed cannabis lawfully in one state be charged in another state," said Bukalski, of Bloomington.

Among the places marijuana is barred are day cares, schools and correctional facilities. Excluded from having the medical cards are law enforcement and probation officers and school bus drivers.

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Teacher confronted shooter

2 dead, 4 wounded
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TULALIP, Wash. (AP) — A newly hired teacher confronted a gunman and was being hailed as a hero on Saturday after a deadly shooting rampage in the cafeteria of a Washington state high school.

First-year social studies teacher Megan Silberberger intervened in the attack Friday at Marysville-Pilchuck High School, teachers union president Randy Davis said.

The teacher intercepted the gunman as he paused, possibly to reload, student Erick Cervantes told KIRO-TV.

"I'm completely amazed by her actions, and I feel for her," Davis told The Associated Press. "I don't know why she was in the cafeteria, but I'm just grateful she was there."

The attacker killed one girl on Friday and seriously wounded four others, including two of his cousins, before he

died of what police said was a self-inflicted wound.

However, it wasn't clear if the shooter committed suicide or if he accidentally shot himself in the struggle with the teacher.

A school resource officer also ran to the scene, Davis said.

The shooter was Jaylen Fryberg, a popular freshman at the school, a government official

with direct knowledge of the shooting told The Associated Press.

Students and parents said Fryberg was a member of a prominent family from the nearby Tulalip Indian tribes and a freshman who played on the high school football team. He was introduced at a football game as a prince in the 2014 Homecoming court.

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Crashes rock space industry

Failures ignite debate of role of business, safety

SETH BORENSTEIN
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON — Fiery failures are no stranger to the space game. It's what happens when you push the boundaries of what technology can do, where people can go. And it happened again to Virgin Galactic's SpaceShipTwo.

In the past decade, the space industry has tried to go from risky and government-run to routine private enterprise, so routine that if you have lots of money you can buy a ticket on a private spaceship and become a space tourist.

More than 500 people have

booked a flight, including Justin Bieber, Ashton Kutcher and little-known space scientist Alan Stern.

But it all depends on flying becoming safe and routine. This week hasn't helped. Three days after a private unmanned rocket taking cargo to the International Space Station blew up six seconds into its flight, a test flight of SpaceShipTwo exploded Friday over the Mojave Desert with two people on board.

The developments reignited the debate about the role of business in space and whether it is or will ever be safe enough for everyday people looking for an expensive 50-mile-high thrill ride.

"It's a real setback to the idea that lots of people are going to be taking joyrides into

the fringes of outer space any time soon," said John Logsdon, retired space policy director at George Washington University. "There were a lot of people who believed that the technology to carry people is safely at hand."

The question for space tourism might be, "if it survives," Logsdon said. But he thinks its momentum in recent years will keep it alive.

Federal estimates of the commercial space industry, only a little of it involving tourism, exceed \$200 billion. NASA is counting on private companies such as SpaceX and Orbital Sciences to haul cargo to the space station. They are also spending billions to help SpaceX and Boeing build ships that will eventually take people there, too.

Founder vows to find cause of crash

MOJAVE, Calif. (AP) — Billionaire Virgin Galactic founder Richard Branson vowed Saturday to find out what caused the crash of his prototype space tourism craft that killed one of two test pilots, adding that while he remains committed to civilian space travel "we are not going to push on blindly."

In grim remarks at the Mojave Air and Space Port, where the craft known as SpaceShipTwo was under development, Branson gave no details of Friday's accident

and deferred to the National Transportation Safety Board, whose team had just arrived.

"We are determined to find out what went wrong," he said, asserting that safety has always been the top priority of the program that envisions taking wealthy tourists six at a time to the edge of space for a brief experience of weightlessness and a view of Earth below.

"Yesterday, we fell short," he said. "We'll now comprehensively assess the results of the crash and are determined

to learn from this and move forward."

He also criticized early speculation about crash causes. "To be honest, I find it slightly irresponsible that people who know nothing about what they're saying can be saying things before the NTSB makes their comments."

The pilot killed in the test flight was identified Saturday as Michael Tyner Alsberry, 39, of nearby Tehachapi. The surviving pilot is Peter Siebold, 43, who parachuted to safety and was hospitalized.

Low gas prices delighting Americans

NEW YORK (AP) — The sight is so surprising that Americans are sharing photos of it, along with all those cute Halloween costumes, sweeping vistas and special meals: The gas station sign, with a price of \$2-something a gallon.

"It's stunning what's happening here," said Tom Kloza, chief oil analyst at the Oil Price Information Service. "I'm a little bit shocked."

The national average price

of gasoline fell 33 cents to end October at \$3 a gallon and dipped Saturday to \$2.995, according to AAA. That marks the first time in four years that gas has been cheaper than \$3 a gallon.

When the national average crossed above \$3 a gallon in December 2010, drivers weren't sure they'd ever see \$2.99 again. Global demand for oil and gasoline was rising as people in developing countries

bought cars by the tens of millions and turmoil was brewing in the oil-rich Middle East.

Now demand isn't rising as fast as expected, drillers have learned to tap vast new sources of oil, particularly in the U.S., and crude continues to flow out of the Middle East.

Seasonal swings and other factors will likely send gas back over \$3, but the U.S. is on track for the lowest annual average since 2010.

Arizona police officer allegedly filmed women

AVONDALE, Ariz. (AP) — A suburban Phoenix police officer is being investigated over allegations he secretly recorded nearly two dozen women while they undressed at an Avondale tanning salon.

KPHO-TV reported Friday that Avondale police booked the man on 31 counts of surreptitious recording and one count of tampering with physical evidence.

Avondale police spokesman

Mathew Hintz said a victim spotted a camera phone atop a dividing wall that separates tanning salon rooms while she was changing. Hintz said investigators found video of 20 other women.

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Properly Maintained Headlights Vastly Improve Driver Safety Continued From Page 9

• Don't just replace but upgrade your headlight bulbs. Bulbs that have started to dim need to be replaced, but auto enthusiasts or maintenance-savvy drivers know they can upgrade their bulbs when replacing them. Industry experts recommend replacing headlamp bulbs every two years, and replacing them in pairs to make sure the vehicle's lighting

is equally balanced. But rather than sticking with the bulbs provided by the car maker, look for a bulb that makes it easier to see at night and during hazardous conditions. The Philips Upgrade Headlights put more light on the road, helping to make up for poor weather, dimly lit roads, aging headlights, and even the loss of night vision many drivers experience as they

age. Capable of providing up to 100 percent more light than the standard halogen bulbs found on the majority of vehicles today, Upgrade Headlights create a better beam pattern that is dramatically longer than the standard bulbs, vastly improving driver vision and safety.

• Buy the bulbs that match your driving habits. Some drivers spend a significant amount

of time behind the wheel while others use their cars or trucks only to run errands or make short trips. When replacing bulbs that have dimmed, be sure to choose a bulb that fits your driving habits. Philips makes a headlight bulb for every type of driver, be it the daily commuter, the soccer mom or those drivers who only rarely take to the highway. Philips even makes a special headlamp for motorcycles that creates a unique orange reflection that helps distinguish the motorcycle from other vehicles on the road.

Numerous studies have shown that roughly one-third of auto accidents occur at night,

when driver visibility is most compromised. So in addition to maintaining their headlights, drivers should take the following steps to improve their visibility.

• Keep wiper blades fresh. Wiper blades should be changed every three months, as they can become brittle over time and, depending on their frequency of use, can wear out, especially on older vehicles with pitting on the windshield. When inspecting the wiper blades, remember to inspect your windshield washer as well, making sure that the washers are operating effectively and that the washer fluid basin has been refilled.

• Avoid hanging items that compromise visibility. Many drivers like to hang trinkets, fuzzy dice or personal photos from their vehicles' rearview mirrors. Avoid hanging such items, which can prove distracting and restrict your view of the road.

• Clean the interior glass and mirrors. Dirty interior glass and mirrors make it difficult for drivers to see fellow motorists, so make removing any film buildup on such surfaces part of your routine vehicle maintenance.

More information is available at www.philips.com/automotive.

Let's Talk About Medicare

By Gerald Tilley, Social Security District Manager in Decatur, IL

October is "Talk About Prescriptions Month" and marks the beginning of this year's Medicare open enrollment period. It's the perfect time to talk about Medicare prescriptions and the Extra Help available from Social Security. Newly eligible Medicare beneficiaries and current beneficiaries who are considering changes to their Medicare Part D (prescription drug coverage) plan, should act now. The Medicare open enrollment period runs from October 15 to December 7.

The Medicare Part D prescription drug plan is available to all Medicare beneficiaries to help with the costs of medications. Joining a Medicare prescription drug plan is voluntary, and participants pay an additional monthly premium for the prescription drug coverage.

While all Medicare beneficiaries can participate in the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan, some people with limited income and resources may be eligible for Extra Help to pay for monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription co-payments.

The Extra Help is estimated to be worth about \$4,000 per year. Many Medicare beneficiaries qualify for these big savings and don't even know it.

To figure out whether you are eligible for the Extra Help, Social Security needs to know your income and the value of any savings, investments, and real estate (other than the home you live in). To qualify, you must be receiving Medicare and have:

• Income limited to \$17,505 for an individual or \$23,595 for a married couple living together. Even if your annual income is higher, you still may be able to get some help with monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription co-payments. Some examples where your income may be higher include if you or your spouse:

— Support other family members who live with you;
— Have earnings from work; or
— Live in Alaska or Hawaii; and

Resources limited to \$13,440 for an individual or \$26,860 for a married couple living together. Resources include such things as bank accounts, stocks, and bonds. We do not count your

house or car as resources.

You can complete an easy-to-use online application or get more information by visiting www.socialsecurity.gov/medicare. To apply for the Extra Help by phone or have an application mailed to you, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) and ask for the Application for Extra Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs (SSA-1020).

And if you would like more information about the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program, visit www.medicare.gov or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227; TTY 1-877-486-2048).

While we're on the subject of open seasons, the open enrollment period for qualified health plans under the Affordable Care Act is November 15 to February 15. Learn more about it at www.healthcare.gov.

This Medicare open enrollment season, while you search for the Medicare prescription drug plan that best meets your needs—see if you qualify for the Extra Help through Social Security. That's a winning prescription worth talking about.

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Map of Proposed Routes coming soon.

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Information for Employers about Their Responsibilities Under the Affordable Care Act

If you are an employer, the number of employees in your business will affect what you need to know about the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

Employers with 50 or more full-time and full-time equivalent employees are generally considered to be "applicable large employers" (ALEs) under the employer shared responsibility provisions of the ACA. Applicable large employers are subject to the employer shared responsibility provisions. However, more than 95 percent of employers are not ALEs and are not subject to these provisions because they have fewer than 50 full-time and full-time equivalent employees.

Whether an employer is an ALE is determined each calendar year based on employment and hours of service data from the prior calendar year. An employer can find information about determining the size of its workforce in the employer shared responsibility provision questions and answers section of the IRS.gov/aca website and in the related final regulations.

In general, beginning January 1, 2015, ALEs with at least 100 full-time and full-time equivalent employees must offer affordable health coverage that provides minimum value to their full-time

employees and their dependents or they may be subject to an employer shared responsibility payment. This payment would apply only if at least one of its full-time employees receives a premium tax credit through enrollment in a state based Marketplace or a federally facilitated or Marketplace. Also, starting in 2016 ALEs must report to the IRS information about the health care coverage, if any, they offered to their full-time employees for calendar year 2015, and must also furnish related statements to their full-time employees.

For 2014, the IRS will not assess employer shared responsibility payments and the information reporting related to the employer shared responsibility provisions is voluntary. In addition, the employer shared responsibility provisions will be phased in for smaller ALEs from 2015 to 2016. Specifically, ALEs that meet certain conditions regarding maintenance of workforce size and coverage in 2014 are not subject to the employer shared responsibility provision for 2015. For these employers, no employer shared responsibility payment will apply for any calendar month during 2015 (including, for an employer with

a non-calendar year plan, the months in 2016 that are part of the 2015 plan year). However, these employers are required to meet the information reporting requirements for 2015. The employer shared responsibility provision questions and answers section of the IRS.gov/aca website and the preamble to the employer shared responsibility final regulations describe the requirements for this relief in more detail. Both resources also describe additional forms of transition relief that apply for 2015.

Small employers, specifically those with fewer than 25 full-time equivalent employees, may be eligible for the small business health care tax credit.

Regardless of the number of employees, if an employer sponsors a self-insured health plan, it must report to the IRS certain information about its health insurance coverage plan for each covered employee.

More information
Find out more about the small business health care tax credit, applicable large employers, the employer shared responsibility provision, information reporting requirements and the premium tax credit at IRS.gov/aca.
Find out more about the health care law at HealthCare.gov.

4-H News Long Creek Critters

The Long Creek Critters elected officers on Sunday, October 12, 2014. It was decided that we would elect Co-Presidents. Our Presidents are: Kevin Kappenman and Sierra Day. Our Vice President is Abby Bowery. Our Secretary is Jessica Best. Our Treasurer is Sara Best. Our Recreation Committee is Will Warnick, Chayton Day and Nathan Bowery. Our Scrapbook Representative is Hannah Warnick. Our Reporter is Kelsie Gerhardt.

Club goals for the year were chosen. Our club goals are: Create a club banner, Complete a service project, 2/3 of our members will exhibit at the fair, 3/4 of our members will attend 2/3 of our meetings, 3/4 of our members will complete their record books.

It was decided that our club theme for the year will be Community Service.

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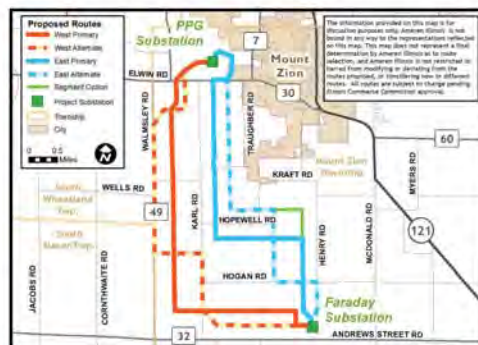
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DATES and TIMES

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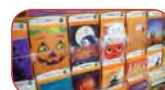
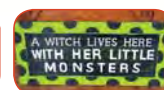
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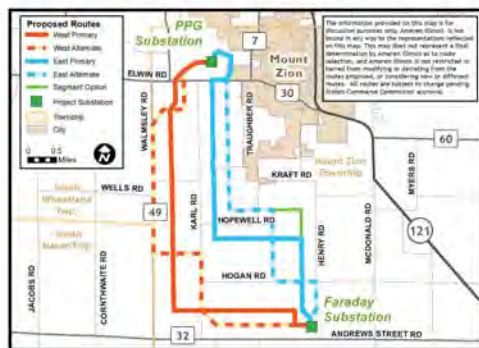


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